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FM NPIC WASHDC  
TO AIG 7840

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RUHJPHA/CTF76, CTF77  
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C O N F I D E N T I A L CITE NPIC 8037.  
SUPIR: CA SER:000347 PRJ:YE MSN:00446J DTZ:700129H  
DAY PHOTO. CAMERA ON 0540Z, OFF 0548Z.  
CAMERA TYPES ARE KA-66 PAN AND KA-65 VERT.  
REF CTG 77.4 IPIR SER NH 0020 DTG 091746Z JAN 70  
THIS MESSAGE SUPPLEMENTS INFORMATION CONTAINED IN REF.

PART I.

NONE

PART II. SIGNIFICANT RESULTS

B. NEW ITEMS

CHANNEL GUIDES HOUAY NAMXE (RIVER) HAVE BEEN  
CTY:LA 165245N1063000E INT:FPV 165 W 5  
UTM:48QXD597666

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DES:A SERIES OF CHANNEL GUIDES FOR FLOATING SUPPLIES HAVE BEEN  
CONSTRUCTED IN THE HOUAY NAMXE (RIVER) FROM A POINT WITHIN  
DMZ WEST INTO LAOS BETWEEN 16-53-20N 106-34-40E (UTM XD680682)  
AND 16-53-45N 106-26-50E (XD540683), THE LIMITS OF PHOTOGRAPHIC  
COVERAGE. THESE CHANNELING DEVICES CONSIST OF LENGTH OF BAMBOO/  
ROPE STRUNG AT INTERVALS WITHIN THE RIVER AND GENERALLY PARALLEL  
ELING THE RIVER BANK, IN SOME AREA ALONG ONE BANK AND AT TIMES  
ALONG BOTH. THE APPARENT PURPOSE OF THE CHANNEL GUIDES IS TO  
TO MAINTAIN THE FLOW OF SUPPLIES BEING FLOATED WEST FROM  
THE DMZ BY RESTRICTING THEIR PASSAGE TO UNOBSTRUCTED CHANNELS.  
POLES PLACED BETWEEN THE GUIDES AND THE BANKS, AS WELL AS STAKES  
DRIVEN INTO THE RIVERBED, ARE USED TO STABILIZE THE GUIDES.  
THESE GUIDES ARE PARTICULARLY NOTICEABLE AT BENDS IN THE  
RIVER. NEAR SANDBARS, OR IN AREAS WHERE THE WATER IS SHALLOW.

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MPR:AMS SERIES L7014, SHEETS 6342-IV, 6242-I

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